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At the 50th anniversary banquet of the Mishicot Sportsman's Club held on Jan. 14 at Koeppel's La Fiesta, four charter members were honored. They were Roman Hallada, Arthur Heyroth, Raymond Kronforst and Marvin Peltier. Hallada was unable to attend.

The first recorded meeting was held on Jan. 17, 1945 at Harvey Dvorak's Shell Service Station. Alvin Dvorak was the first president and Paul Kronforst the first secretary/treasurer. Fox hunting was of great interest at the time. In attendance at this first meeting were Roman Hallada, Walter Stelzer, Carl Zima, Bernard Kuehnl, Merlin Trossen, Howard Flentje, Roland Samz, Carl Althene, Henry Eller, Ray Kronforst, Vernon Peltier, Frederick Blattler, Arthur Heyroth, Alvin Dvorak, Marvin Peltier, Harvey Dvorak, Joseph Le Clair, Jim Harley, Paul Kronforst and Francis Rollo.

Frederick Blattler was elected vice-president at the next meeting and membership dues were set at $1. A new member was Ervin Sand.

Members contacted farmers for permission to hunt on their land and this was passed on to the entire club, eliminating the need to ask permission each time they went out to hunt.

When Donald J. Halada joined the club, he informed members that trees would be available from the Conservation Department for $2 to $5 per thousand. Don was the local high school agriculture instructor.

As club minutes revealed, the organization grew because meeting notices were sent out, refreshments were taken care of by committees, booster membership meetings were held and programs including motion pictures were added.

They were very involved with the Mishicot Centennial in 1947 and grew beards for the event. They bought and developed the land, which is now Village Park. Hardball and softball were promoted. Lights were added. To pay for these improvements, fund raisers along with rodeos were held.

In 1951, the club put up No Hunting or Discharge of Fire-

Three founding members of the Mishicot Sportsman's Club — left to right, Marvin Peltier, Raymond Kronforst and Arthur Heyroth — accept certificates at the club's 50th anniversary banquet. Club president Dennis Remiker is on the right. Founding member Roman Hallada was unable to attend.

Jeanette Heyroth

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